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SUBJ: VISAS: NAMES OF NORTH KOREANS TO UN

1. EMBASSY DPRK IN MOSCOW SEEMS TO HAVE DIFFICULTY PROVIDING CORRECT LATIN-LETTER SPELLING OF NAMES IN VISA APPLICATIONS FOR NORTH KOREAN OFFICIALS PROCEEDING TO UN. PART OF PROBLEM MAY BE THAT NORTH KOREAN EMBASSY SUBMITS IVISA APPLICATIONS BEFORE OFFICIAL OR HIS PASSPORT HAS ARRIVED IN MOSCOW, AND EMBASSY DPRK MAY NOT KNOW HOW TO SPELL NAME IN LATIN LETTERS. CONSOFF ZEN HA YUN SPEAKS LIMITED RUSSIAN AND NO ENGLISH.

2. AS DEPARTMENT AWARE, WE SOMETIMES SPELL SUCH KOREAN NAMES IN VISA CABLES AS TRANSLITERATED FROM CYRILLIC. SUCH SPELLINGS OBVIOUSLY VARY FROM LATIN-LETTER SPELLING GENERALLY USED IN WEST.

3. AS MOST DPRK VISAS APPLICATIONS ARE FOR PERSONNEL RETURNING TO NEW YORK, WE WOULD BE GRATEFUL TO RECEIVE FOR FUTURE REFERENCE A COPY OF ANY READILY-AVAILABLE LATIN-LETTER LIST OF DPRK PERSONNEL ASSIGNED NEW YORK, WITH DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH IF POSSIBLE.
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